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SUPPLEMENTALRESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JANUARY 14, 2004 IN RESPONSE TO "NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE DATED MARCH 17, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment" dated 17 March 2004, for which the one-month deadline for response is April 17, 2004.

It is believed that no additional fees are necessitated by this filing. However, should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the

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